



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT(S): Eiji IWATA ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.: 09792909-4938  
SERIAL NO.: 09/352,422 GROUP ART UNIT: 2613  
DATE FILED: July 12, 1999 EXAMINER: T. T. VO  
INVENTION: "ENCODING APPARATUS AND METHOD OF SAME AND  
DECODING APPARATUS AND METHOD OF SAME"

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Non-Final Office Action dated January 22, 2003.  
Please reconsider the application in view of the amendment and remarks presented herein.

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	Filing Date	July 12, 1999	
	First Named Inventor	IWATA	
	Group Art Unit	2613	
	Examiner Name	T. T. VO	
Total Number of Pages in This Submission	14	Attorney Docket Number	9792909-4938

**ENCLOSURES (check all that apply)**

- ☒ Transmitted herewith is Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111.  
☒ The fee has been calculated as shown below:

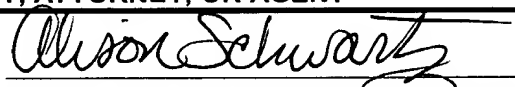
(1) FOR	(2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	(3)	(4) HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	(5) PRESENT EXTRA	(6) RATE	(7) ADDITIONAL FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	19	-	19	0	<input type="checkbox"/> x \$9.00 <input type="checkbox"/> x \$18.00	\$0
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	3	-	3	0	<input type="checkbox"/> x \$42.00 <input type="checkbox"/> x \$84.00	\$0
	APPLICATION AMENDED TO CONTAIN ANY MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS NOT PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR.			<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> x \$140.00 <input type="checkbox"/> x \$280.00 ONE TIME	\$0
	TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$0

- ☒ Applicant petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for responding to the Office Action dated January 22, 2003 by 1 month(s) for a fee of \$110.00 so that the period for response is extended to May 22, 2003 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.321.
- ☐ The amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the Terminal Disclaimer under 37 C.F.R. § 1.321 is included in the enclosed check.
- ☐ The amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.312(b) is included in the enclosed check.
- ☒ The enclosed credit card payment form to charge the amount of \$110.00 covers the extension fee.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or to credit any overpayment to Account No. 19-3140. **A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.**

**SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT, ATTORNEY, OR AGENT**

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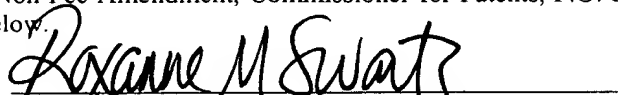
Dated: May 13, 2003

  
Alison P. Schwartz, (Registration No. 43,863)

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the date indicated below.

Dated: May 12, 2003

  
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